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1. ACCORDING TO FIGURES RECENTLY RELEASED BY THE VARGAS
FOUNDATION, BRAZIL'S REAL GDP INCREASED 8.7-0/0 IN 1976. THE
BREAKDOWN BY SECTORS WAS:

AGRICULTURAL	4.2-0/0
INDUSTRIAL	10.9-0/0
COMERCIAL	8.8-0/0
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS	7.5-0/0

2. IN THE INDUSTRIAL SECTOR THE THREE SUB-COMPONENTS
EXPANDED AS FOLLOWS:

CIVIL CONSTRUCTION	12.8-0/0
TRANSFORMATION INDUSTRIES	10.5-0/0
PUBLIC UTILITIES	10.1-0/0

OVERALL ELECTRIC POWER CONSUMPTION INCREASED 13.8-0/0 WITH
INDUSTRIAL CONSUMPTION GROWTH AT 17.7-0/0, COMMERCIAL 10.8-0/0,
RESIDENTIAL 8.3-0/0 AND OTHER TYPES 8.6-0/0.

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3. THE RELATIVELY LOW AGRICULTURAL GROWTH WAS DUE TO
THE REDUCTION IN COFFEE PRODUCTION. LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION
INCREASED 12.2-0/0 OVER 1975, WHILE ALL OTHER FARM PRODUCTION
GAINED 0.4-0/0 (EXCLUDING COFFEE, THIS LATTER FIGURE
INCREASES TO 9.7-0/0).

4. COMMENT: AS THE ABOVE FIGURES INDICATE, 1976 BRAZILIAN

ECONOMIC GROWTH WAS NOT CONCENTRATED IN ANY ONE SECTOR.
THE 8.7-0/0 1976 GDP INCREASE WAS MORE THAN DOUBLE THE
1975 FIGURE (4.2-0/0).
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